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AN EARLY REVOLUTIONARY INCIDENT—This Day arrived here, in the Sloop Commerce, Capt. Richardson, from New York, the Remains of the Hon. Edward Fenwicke, Esq: a Gentleman not less distinguished by his Goodness of Heart, than his ample Fortune. He had resided several Years in England, on Account of the Education of his numerous Family, which having in a great Measure accomplished, he returned last Year to this his native Country. Being attacked with a violent Disorder, he was advised to avoid our Summer Heats, and accordingly, about six Weeks ago, sailed for New York, where, after suffering much with a becoming Fortitude, he died on the 7th of this Month. As he lived beloved and respected so he died sincerely regretted by all who had the Happiness of being acquainted with so good and worthy a Man.

In the same Vessel returned here Mrs. Fenwicke, Widow, and Messrs Edward & Thomas Fenwicke, Sons of the above-mentioned Gentleman.

(*South Carolina and American General Gazette,* 21 July, 1775.)

When the Hon. Edward Fenwicke, a member of the King's Council in South Carolina died in New York on 7th July, 1775, his widow and sons chartered the sloop Commerce for the voyage to Charles Town, whither they carried his remains for interment. (See *So. Ca. and Am. Gen. Gazette* of 21st July, 1775, for the obituary notice.)

The war had but just begun for it was only on 19th April of the same year that the first gun had been fired at Lexington, and on 3rd July Washington had taken command of the American forces gathered around Boston.

In Charles Town Lord William Campbell, the Royal Governor, was still iving on Meeting Stdeet, but the powers of government had been since 14th June exercised by a Council of Safety, appointed by, the Provincial Congress, who were busily engaged in levying troops and otherwise preparing for the struggle. The misfortunes that then befell the sloop Commerce are to be gathered from the "Case of Peter Berton, late of New York" as presented by him to the Royal Commissioners—(See Ontario Archives, Vol. II, page 864.) Captain Richardson of the Commerce had been instructed to return as promptly as possible to New York, bringing passengers but no goods. When ready to return she had been "taken possession of by orders of a Rebel Committee and employed by them 27 or 28 days." When released she sailed for New York, and was seized in October, 1775, at Sandy Hook, by his Majesty's ship, King Fisher.

She was sent into Halifax, where she was condemned as a prize, and brought into New York in 1776 by Captn. Mountague [sic]. The claimant "thinks this was the Pretence of Capt. Mountague's seizing it." We get in this a glimpse of the disregard of private rights when war is flagrant—a disregard finely pictured in Cooper's novel "Miles Wallingford," where he tells of the treatment of the American ship "Dawn" by the belligerants, France and England.

The names of two sons of M^r^. Fenwick are to be found in the Confiscation Acts of 1782; first, Edward Fenwick, who had married a daughter of John Stuart, the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, and who had signed the address to Lord Cornwallis upon his success at Camden; and, secondly, John Fenwick, who held a commission in the Royal militia. The latter was almost certainly the Col. Fenwick who was taken by Col. Harden, just previous to his capture of Fort Balfour in 1781. (*Contributed by D. E. Huger Smith, Esq.*)

WITHERSPOON TOMB-STONE INSCRIPTIONS—The following inscriptions, copied by Mr. S. A. Graham, a member of this Society, are from a Witherspoon burying-ground in Williamsburg County, about two and a half miles south of Lower Bridge, on the Broomstraw Road. There are a number of other graves, with stones, but the inscriptions are obliterated.

Esther Dubose Witherspoon
Daughter of Robert & Catherine D. Witherspoon
b Apl 15, 1816, d Aug 12, 1820.

Langon Cheves Witherspoon
Son of Robt & Catherin M.
Born Apl 1 1818 D Aug 5 1820

Robert Sidney Witherspoon
Born 18th Sep 1794 d Aug 26 1819

Mary A A Witherspoon
Daughter of Thos & Janet Witherspoon Died June 15 1808

Robert Witherspoon
Son of James & Grandson of John Witherspoon
who was borne in Aug 1728 Died 15 Apl 1788

Elizabeth Witherspoon
Consort of Robert Witherspoon & Daughter of William
& Mary Heathly
who was born June 5th 1740 & died July 5 1820
aged 80 years & one month

Joseph M^c^Kee
who departed this life the 31st March 1810
aged 77 years
also of
Ann M^c^Kee his second wife
who died the 29th Dec 1778 aged 37 years
& also of
Elizabeth M^c^Kee his third wife
who died the 6 of July 1810 aged 66 years

Mrs. Ann Witherspoon
Wife of Gavin Witherspoon
Died February 27, 1816, aged 47 years. She was a
devoted Christian.
This monument is erected to her memory by her daughter
E. W. Montgomery.

INSCRIPTIONS FROM THE "CHAPEL OF EASE" OF ST. JAMES CHURCH GOOSE CREEK, SITUATED NEAR MOUNT HOLLY, S. C.
(*Contributed by Mr. Jos. I Waring.*)

(Headstone.)

In Memory of
Dr. Robert Broun
who departed this Life
25th Nov. 1757.
Aged 43 years

(Slab on brick foundation.)

Long may this marble remain
to testify to the filial affection
of Mrs. Mary Loocock who caused it
to be erected—
Sacred to the Memory
of her beloved Brother Robert Broun M. D.
who departed this life
6th of June 1766
Aged 44.

(Slab on brick foundation.)

Long may this marble
as a testimony of filial affection
of Robert Broun
who caused it to be erected
Sacred to the Memory of
his beloved Brother
Archibald Brown
who departed this Life
the 1st. day of Dec. 1797
Aged 16 years.

(Slab.)

Sacred to the Memory of
Aaron Loocock Esq.
who departed this Life
10th. Feby. 1794
Aged 61 years

(Slab.)

Sacred to the Memory of
Mrs. Caroline Deas
who departed this Life
on the Evening of 21st. Dec 1816.
Aged 35 years 7 ms, 3 days.

(Headstone.)

Sacred to the Memory of
Richard Gouch Esq.
who died 2nd. Feby 1786
Aged 45 years

(Headstone.)

Mr. John Reidheimer
who departed this Life on May 10th. 1826
Aged 72 years.
Actively patriotic in the War of the
Revolution, he sustained the charactor
of firm love for his Country.
As a Christian he was devout
As a man honest
As a friend sincere.
And he now reaps the reward,
of his toils in the Bosom
of his God.

(Headstone.)

Sacred to the Memory of
Peter Reidheimer
who departed this Life
July 17th. 1812
Aged 57 years
"Come hither mortal cast an eye
Then go thy way prepared to die.
Here read thy doom for die thou must
Some day like me be turned to dust"

TWO EARLY TRADERS IN CAROLINA—The following abstract of articles of agreement, is taken from the *Collections of the N. Y. Hist. Soc., Abstracts of Wills,* Vol. 2, p. 440.

Articles of Agreement made in Charlestowne, Berkeley County, Carolina April 20, 1685, between Richard Codner, master of the ketch "Adventure" 16 tons burden and Humphrey Ashley, mariner. The said Codner has let 1/3 of the vessel to said Ashley, for a trading voyage along the shore as they shall agree. And said Ashley is to pay £4.10s. per month, while on the voyage, and is to put in 1/3 of the trading stock, and 1/3 of the provisions, and to pay 1/3 of the Port charges, the voyage not to exceed 4 months, to begin April 17, last. The said Ashley is to find one man besides himself, and a negro boy, and he is to pay their wages. The said Codner is to pay the wages of himself & 3 men. Each are bound in the sum of £50 to keep the agreement.